

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Reissue Application of:  
Walter Rittersdorf, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1623

Reissue of U.S. Patent No.: 6,171,849

Examiner: L. Leary

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For: METHOD FOR THE DETERMINATION OF HDL  
CHOLESTEROL BY MEANS OF A RAPID  
DIAGNOSTIC AGENT WITH AN INTEGRATED  
FRACTIONATING STEP

**SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, being the inventors of subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,171,849 B1 and of the subject matter claimed in the subject reissue application as filed herewith, believe that the named inventors are the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

1. We verily believe that the above identified patent is wholly or partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the fact that a priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to which we are entitled was not made.

2. Specifically, the application should claim priority of application Serial No. 08/384,046, filed February 6, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,580,743, which is a divisional of application Serial No. 07/572,875, filed August 24, 1990, now U.S. Patent no. 5,426,030.

3. We acknowledge our duty to disclose any information of which we are aware is material to the examination of this application and its patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

4. We have all read and understood the content of the above-identified application, including the amendment and claims, submitted concurrently with this declaration.

5. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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